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Subject: Fw: Non-Trust AUM Sites in Eastern Navajo
Date: 04/30/2009 04:29 PM

Sounds like Region 9 has had some experience sending out 104e letters in the uranium district. Wasn't sure if you had a contact there to share experiences.

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Subject: RE: Non-Trust AUM Sites in Eastern Navajo

Hi, LaDonna. I called David to find out more about what R6 and NM are working on, and he mentioned that there are regular conf calls on Wednesdays. Perhaps if we could get included on those calls, we can contribute some of our experience to your process. I would probably also bring in someone from our Investigation and Cost Recovery Team, as we have already sent out 104(e) letters to a number of PRPs, and we received many boxes of documents in reply.

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▼ "Mayerson, David, NMENV" ---04/30/2009 06:04:46 AM---Jeff: The 6/2 will be R6's kickoff meeting for our EPA enforcement-funded task, which will focus on

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Jeff: The 6/2 will be R6's kickoff meeting for our EPA enforcement-funded task, which will focus on an area at the mouth of Poison Canyon. EPA will set the agenda, but it may be fruitful to have your presence at this meeting since we will be working in contiguous areas.

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David, meeting is an expensive way to coordinate. What's on your mind?

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Susan: Could you please respond to Jeff's request on land status, and the meaning of PLO? Thanks.

Jeff: You can send the hard copies to my attention. I would agree that we should meet to coordinate efforts, and will bring this up at the forthcoming meeting with EPA on 6/2.

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The attached map shows the abandoned uranium mine (AUM) sites at which USEPA R9 conducted field visits in 2008 as part of our agency's 5-year plan for AUMs. The final site report will be a Site Screen (example attached). Only gamma measurements were taken in the course of this field work - no samples.

The attached spreadsheet is a list of those sites that are not on Navajo Tribal Trust lands. Much of the data on the status of the land comes from our GIS database, compiled by a contractor between 2000 and 2007.

I am sending this to you for two reasons:

a) so that you may be able to verify from your agency's view the correct status of these lands. The final Screen reports are being finalized as I

write, so I would appreciate your replies as soon as possible (ASAP). Of interest is the "Public Land Orders." The status of these parcels is not clear,

b) to give you a heads up regarding the onsite conditions that we found at these AUM sites. Based on the 1991 MOA between the Navajo Nation, and USEPA Regions 6, 8 and 9, the USEPA Region 9 is the lead region for all EPA program and sites within the boundary of the Navajo Nation.

We are also currently working with NNEPA on structures built with contaminated mine waste.

I would appreciate your response on:

- the correct status of the land of the sites on the attached spreadsheet - time priority
- the name and address of the person in your agency who you want to receive the hard copy reports
- in time, it might also be worthwhile to coordinate on operator and ownership information. We have ongoing efforts.

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